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Docket No. : 424532-00002
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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesy of the interview held on June 26, 2007.

Applicant has reviewed the Interview Summary and is in agreement with the identification of claims and prior art discussed at the interview. However, Applicant notes the following errors in the Interview Summary: (1) the date of the interview was June 26, 2007, not October 11, 2006, and (2) John Keeler, Jr. was present at the interview, not John Keeler, Sr., the inventor.

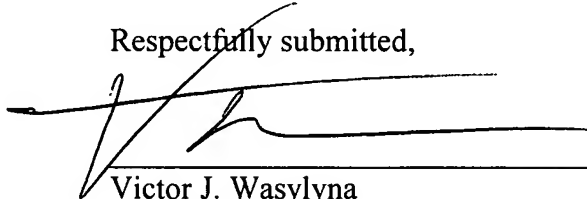
At the interview, Applicant proposed to amend the claims to specify an ambient air to crabmeat ratio falling within a specific range. Furthermore, Applicant presented the advantages

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associated with packaging crabmeat with ambient air rather than the packaging components discussed in the prior art of record. In particular, Applicant noted that the use of ambient air reduces packaging costs (air is free) and provides a natural product, while the prior art of record teaches the use of additional packaging components, such as a carrageenan/water mixture (Doerter), a brine (Lett et al.), CO₂ (Air Liquide Canada and Bealle) and chemical preservatives (Walker et al.), that increase packaging costs and provide an unnatural product.

An amendment in response to the Office action mailed on May 8, 2007 is submitted herewith. Applicant looks forward to receiving a notice of allowance.

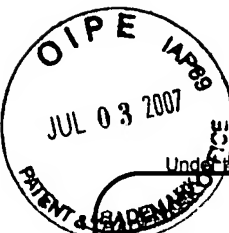
Respectfully submitted,

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